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HONGKONG, JULY 10TH 1909.

The news from New York during the past few weeks abundantly confirms the view that the Far Eastern policy of the Taft Administration will mark a departure from the policy of *laissez faire* on which, until quite recently, American public opinion has insisted. We are told by the *Times* Correspondent that, as a Colonial administrator with experience of affairs in the Far East, President Taft realises that in the Orient diplomacy and finance are closely related, and that a diplomat whose nationals are engaged in great commercial ventures commands more respect than the representative of a Government whose people have only a minor share of the trade of the country to which he is accredited. It will not have been forgotten that in his inaugural message to Congress Mr. Taft expressed similar sentiments with regard to the size of naval fleets—the biggest commands most respect; therefore the United States must increase her naval strength. But returning to the question of America's standing in China, those who are familiar with the history of the scramble of the Powers for political-economic advantage in the last few years, will not need to be told that had the view of the position which Mr. Taft is now presenting obtained at Washington half a dozen years ago, America might have been enjoying now an advantage, politically and commercially in China unexcelled by any other Power. But America neglected her opportunities.

Nearly ten years ago American financiers obtained the concession for the great trunk

line of railway from Canton to Hankow, but, for reasons best known to themselves, they sold out, or were preparing to sell out, their interests to a Belgian syndicate, with probably a Russian backing. The result of this divorce of American economic and political interests was the redemption of the concession by the Chinese authorities, and a total loss to America of the great and potent advantages she had acquired. Generally speaking American financiers would appear to have shown little confidence in China as a field for the remunerative employment of capital, and to this we think must be attributed the fact that America's share in the economic development of China with its consequent political prestige has been "a minor one." A State Department communiqué to the American Press last month confesses that in 1905 the British Ambassador informed the American Government that British capitalists were desirous of opening negotiations with reference to the assurances given by China the previous year that American and British capitalists would be given a prior right to supply the loan and construct the Hankow railway. The American Government replied that "no" American capitalists were ready at that time to co-operate, and, though nearly four years have since elapsed, nothing was heard of the formation of a syndicate in America until the British, French and German syndicates had completed their protracted arrangements for providing a loan to construct a line of railway from Hankow to Szechuan. Then came the announcement through official channels of the existence of an American financial group who claimed a share of the loan. America's protest to China against the ratification of the agreement and her representations at London, Paris and Berlin, claiming the right to participate in the loan, are too recent to require detailed reference. America had awakened suddenly to the fact that her failure to take advantage of her opportunities in China meant a loss of prestige, and no citizen of the United States saw that more clearly than the elected Chief of the Executive. It will be remembered how near this loan was to being entirely monopolised by Germany, and but for the timely protest of Great Britain and France the protracted negotiations which ensued, and President Taft's clear perception of the need for a more aggressive policy in China, we may not have heard to this day of the formation of a powerful group of American financiers prepared to furnish money for investment in China. What glory may come out of it all for the United States will be primarily to the credit of the new President. Once the start has been made we may expect to see further developments. Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co., Messrs. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the First National Bank, the National City Bank and other financial institutions are in the Syndicate, and the American papers tell us that the field the syndicate will cover will include the bringing out of "Provincial State Loans, financing projected railways, and probably the establishment of banks."

To aid the development of these economic interests President Taft has been searching—and is searching still apparently—for "a business man of the highest qualifications" to represent the United States at Peking. We are told that the President does not regard a knowledge of diplomacy as essential, but "he wants a man of large business experience who can see the trend of events, take advantage of every opportunity that offers, and point out to Americans openings for the extension of their trade and commerce." As bearing upon this question, and in curious contrast to the views of President Taft we may note that in a recently published and extremely interesting work entitled "The English in China," by Mr. Bromley Eames, the author advocates a divorce of the functions of Diplomat and Superintendent of Foreign Trade. Mr. Eames suggests that an official separate from the Minister should be appointed to act as Superintendent of Trade. His recommendation is that the Trade Superintendent should exercise no diplomatic function: his duty should be to visit in turn the various Open Ports and study the needs of the residents, and to inform himself as to all questions of a commercial nature, so that he may be able to advise the Home Government as to what new developments or modifications are necessary in our foreign policy for the advancement of our commercial interests in China. It seems to us that this need has been met by the British Government in the appointment of a Commercial Attaché. Mr. Eames is apparently not satisfied with this substitute for a Superintendent of Trade, but his book does not indicate what functions the Trade Superintendent would perform which do not now come within the province of the Commercial Attaché. If the Minister is to remain the sole channel of diplomatic inter-

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AN ANGLO-JAPANESE ENTERPRISE POSTPONED.

TOKYO, July 9th.

At an influential meeting it was decided to postpone the Anglo-Japanese Hydro-Electric enterprise.

The flotation of the capital had already been decided upon and it had been intimated that the English promoters were desiring to dispatch engineers.

[REPLIER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]'

GERMANY'S FINANCE MEASURES.

AGREEMENT REACHED.

LONDON, July 9th.

The German Government has arrived at an agreement with the Centre and Conservatives, thus obtaining a majority, enabling them to provide the required twenty-five millions by new taxation.

RUSSIAN TROOPS IN PERSIA.

LONDON, July 9th.

The Russian force which is marching to a point within easy reach of the Persian capital is commanded by General Masnitzky, and has left Enzeh, proceeding in the direction of Kasvin.

FUNERAL OF DR. LALCACA.

LONDON, July 9th.

Dr. Lalcaca, who was recently shot at the Imperial Institute, has been buried in the Parsee section of the Brookwood Cemetery.

There was a large attendance at the funeral.

COLLIERY STRIKES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, July 9th.

Friction arising out of the application of the Eight Hours Act has caused strikes in numerous collieries in the Midlands.

Gangs of pitboys are marching through the districts wantonly damaging property and terrorising residents.

Serious conflicts have also occurred with the police.

REDUCTION OF SCOTTISH MINERS' WAGES.

LONDON, July 9th.

The Scottish coalowners have given notice of their intention to make a reduction of 12½ per cent. in the miners' wages from the 20th inst.

The reduction will affect 80,000 miners.

DEATH OF A FRENCH EX-MINISTER.

LONDON, July 9th.

The death is announced of Marquis de Gallifet, a General in the French Army, who ten years ago was Minister of War.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 9th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has fallen slightly over the S. coast of China and Tongking, and along the Yangtze; and risen moderately over Japan.

The low pressure trough which still lies over the N.W. part of the China Sea may give rise to a circular depression.

Pressure remains low over Central China, and high over the E. of Japan.

Moderate S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and fresh E. and S.E. winds along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.25 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (*)

Formosa Channel S.E. winds,

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan E. winds, fresh.

(*) E. and S.E. winds, fresh; squally, showery.

The financial statement of the Northern Assurance Co., Ltd. (whose local agents are Messrs. Bradley & Co.), show steady development in all branches of revenue. The total accumulations now amount to £7,193,800.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

8th July, 1909.

AN OVERDUE PROMISSORY NOTE.

Sometime ago, Tsang Cheuk Yu, son of a wealthy Hongkong merchant named Tsang Yent Kai, who has an interest in the Kwong Man timber firm at Honan, gave a promissory note for a sum of \$19,000 to Messrs. Vogelgesang & Co., a German firm on the Shameen. When the promissory fell due Tsang Cheuk Yu failed to pay, whereupon Messrs. Vogelgesang & Co. presented the claim at the German Consulate and requested the Consul to communicate with the Chinese Authorities to enforce payment of the claim. The Pun Yu Magistrate was instructed by the Viceroy to summon Tsang Cheuk Yu to appear before him, but the defendant declined to put in an appearance and has been hiding himself in the city. Tsang Yent Kai, fearing that the case might involve him in trouble, caused the son to be arrested on the 6th instant, and he is now at the Pun Yu Magistracy.

VICEROYAL MEETING.

It is reported that Viceroy Yuan Shu Hsun has cabled to Viceroy Chang making an appointment to meet him at Shanghai on the 10th day of the 6th moon (26th instant).

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT.

The Tonai of Industries has inserted an advertisement in the local papers inviting merchants to take up \$1,000,000 worth of shares of the new Electric Light concern. The advertisement states that the capital of the new concern is to be \$1,500,000, divided in 150,000 shares of \$10 each. The officials will subscribe \$50,000, and the balance will be allotted to the merchants. Messrs. Poon Pui Yu and Li Yung Fong will be the first merchant directors of the Company. The advertisement distinctly states that foreigners will be allowed to subscribe for those shares.

RESIGNATION REFUSED.

His Excellency Cheng Chi Tung has cabled instructions to Taotai Wong Ping-Yin, Director of the Canton-Hankow Railway here, to inform Sir Chan Tung Liang Sheng, Superintendent of the above railway company, that his resignation cannot be entertained by His Excellency Chan Chi Tung, especially at this critical moment when the accounts of the Company are being investigated. Should there be any difficulties arising therefrom His Excellency will endeavour to give all possible assistance that is within his power. The telegram states that similar telegrams have been sent to Viceroy Chang, the Provincial Treasurer and Admiral Li.

AN INTERESTING POINT.

An interesting point cropped up yesterday in discussing a case before the Faizane Judge in the Supreme Court. Mr. Davidson, from the office of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, objected to Mr. Jackson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, setting out a defence by pleadings in a certain case, as he understood his friend was only going to put in a counter claim. Mr. Jackson, he contended, had not obtained permission from the Court to file pleading and he (the speaker) thought he ought not to be charged with their costs in the event of the decision being against him. And daughter Mr. Jackson naively replied that he was not going to charge his friend with the cost of setting out the pleadings, as they had been copied direct from Bullen and Leak. Subsequently Mr. Davidson informed his Lordship that Mr. Jackson told him he was not going to charge counsel's fees for setting out the pleadings, but he was going to charge him with setting out the pleadings himself. Mr. Jackson replied that he had obtained leave to serve a defense, and that that was not the time to argue the question of costs.

Mr. Davidson—I mention it because the facts are fresh in your Lordship's mind. There might be a difficulty later. He never got leave for those pleadings.

Mr. Jackson—I got liberty from your Lordship. My friend did not know what I was asking for he should have obtained an explanation.

His Lordship—I might have to decide that question.

Mr. Jackson—it is sufficient to mention it to your Lordship.

The matter was not pursued further.

CHINA'S CREDIT.

A BRITISH LOAN OF £50,000,000 OFFERED.

We reproduce the following from the *Peking Daily News*:—That the credit of the Empire has not suffered any depreciation in consequence of the warnings recently uttered by the correspondent of *The Times* is evident by the fact that among other signs of increasing confidence a proposal has been submitted to the Prince Regent by a group of British financiers, whose

representative is now in Peking, offering a sum of fifty million pounds sterling without any specific security beyond the general guarantee of the Government, and on exceptionally favourable terms.

The conditions are that the proceeds of this

loan shall be applied to the re-organization

of the navy, the construction of railways,

the reform of the national currency, and the

development of mineral resources, industry and agriculture.

We are informed that this proposal is highly

appreciated by the Prince Regent and the Gov-

ernment Officials, and that it is seriously

occupying their attention at the present time.

BLUFFING.

When a case was called at the Supreme Court yesterday Mr. Johnstone (of Messrs. Dennis and Bowley) said he objected to Mr. d'Almada appearing for defendant, as an order had been made for the latter to furnish security. Mr. d'Almada replied that that was not so—that a warrant had been issued for the arrest of the defendant to furnish security. He had not been arrested, but that was not the fault of the defendant. The other side were to blame for their lack of activity.

Mr. Johnstone—Defendant is not in the Colony.

Mr. d'Almada—He is in the Colony.

Mr. Johnstone—My friend keeps on appearing.

Mr. d'Almada—When a date is fixed for the hearing I can bring defendant into court. Will your Lordship fix it for Tuesday?

His Lordship—No, I shall fix it at once.

Mr. d'Almada complained of the illegality of the claim.

His Lordship—Better get him at once.

Mr. d'Almada—Then I cannot give 24 hours' notice of the defence of illegality.

Mr. Johnstone—He has had a week in which to do it.

Mr. d'Almada—No, I am waiting for the date to be fixed.

His Lordship—I will take it to-day.

THE NEW CHAPLAIN OF ST. ANDREWS, KOWLOON.

The Rev. H. O. Spink, the new incumbent of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, has been senior curate of St. Cyprian's Church, Liverpool. The parish magazine for June contains the following reference to his impending departure:

"The keenest regret is being felt throughout the parish at the thought of the approaching departure of the Rev. H. O. Spink for his new sphere of work as Incumbent of St. Andrews, Kowloon, in Bishop Lander's diocese. To say that he is greatly missed is being felt throughout the parish at the thought of the approaching departure of the Rev. H. O. Spink for his new sphere of work as Incumbent of St. Andrews, Kowloon, in Bishop Lander's diocese. To say that he is greatly missed is being felt throughout the parish at the thought of the approaching departure of the Rev. H. O. Spink for his new sphere of work as Incumbent of St. Andrews, Kowloon, in Bishop Lander's diocese. To say that he is greatly missed is being felt throughout the parish at the thought of the approaching

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 9th June.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

A DEFECTIVE CLAIM.

Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Dennis and Mr. Atkinson, applied for leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the actions by Hip On Insurance Exchange and Loan Company, Ltd., and the Hongkong and Manila Yuen Shing Exchange and Trading Co., Ltd. Mr. Slade and Mr. Potter, instructed by Mr. E. P. Holt, appeared for the respondents.

Sir Henry Berkeley formally applied on behalf of the Hip On Company against the decision of the Full Court as the sum involved was over £500.

Mr. Slade objected on the ground that the petition was faulty in two material particulars.

Sir Henry Berkeley said these could be amended.

Mr. Slade remarked that they had not been served with copies of the petition and actions had been dismissed for that reason before.

Sir Henry Berkeley expressed regret that copies had not been furnished.

The Chief Justice then pointed out that applicants' title was not good. A name was inserted without designation.

Sir Henry Berkeley—We shall be happy to receive your instructions on that matter—(laughter).

Sir Henry Berkeley then indicated certain amendments which he proposed, to which the Chief Justice replied that he expressed no opinion.

Mr. Slade remarked that a curious position arose—that the appellants were appealing on a question which had not been determined by the Full Court.

Sir Henry Berkeley disagreed with this view.

Mr. Slade—As the petition is framed it is so hopelessly defective it cannot stand.

The Chief Justice indicated that the petition could be amended and served by midday, and if there was no objection to it would be taken in chambers.

Other defects were referred to and the Chief Justice said leave would be granted to appeal subject to there being no objections.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PUIJIN JUDGE)

A DOG CASE.

A. W. Ilett, chief timekeeper at Shatin of the Kowloon Canton Railway, claimed from Constable Grant \$225 damages for injuring plaintiff's dog. Mr. Holborow appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Goldring for the defendant.

Mr. Holborow, in opening, suggested that the motive in the case was malice on the part of defendant. When plaintiff wrote to the defendant saying he had been informed that defendant had shot his dog, defendant wrote a curt reply saying "I did shoot your dog. You are correctly informed."

A Chinese cook in the employ of plaintiff stated that his master's four dogs ran out on June 8th and barked at the defendant's dogs which were following him. Plaintiff's dog did not leave the compound but defendant pulled out a revolver and fired at one of plaintiff's dogs. His first three shots missed but the fourth hit the dog on the thigh.

His Lordship was informed that the dog was only injured.

Mr. Holborow—The value of the dog is not an element in this case.

His Lordship—The value of the dog is one of the elements.

Mr. Holborow—The value of the dog is not, my lord. The element is the value of the dog to my client.

His Lordship—I did not say it was the element. But it is an element.

The case was adjourned until Monday, his Lordship expressing the hope that it might be settled.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

A largely attended meeting of high provincial officials, gentry and leading commercial men called by the Viceroy, was held at Canton on Thursday. The Provincial Treasurer urged upon those present the advisability of raising one half of the fund required for the Hongkong University so as to show that the Chinese were interested in the Scheme. Those present subscribed over \$20,000, and His Excellency Chang Pat Chi promised to raise \$100,000 from the merchants of Waichow, Chinachow, and Kaiping. Including the sum of \$20,000 subscribed by the officials some time ago, the promised subscriptions from various sources in the province now amount to over \$30,000. The meeting decided to convene an assembly of the leading merchants of the 12 Gaids and the members of the nine charitable Institutions for Friday so as to distribute subscription lists.

HONGKONG TENNIS LEAGUE.

The table to date is as follows:

CLUB.	M.	W.	L.	PTS.
Kowloon	6	6	0	12
Y.M.C.A.	6	5	1	10
Craigengower	5	4	2	8
Civil Service	4	3	1	6
Schoolmasters	6	2	4	4
Lusitano	6	1	5	2
Taikoo	6	1	5	2
Y.M.C.A. (Chinese)	6	1	5	2

During the past week Civil Service defeated the Schoolmasters by 59 games to 40; Y.M.C.A. overcame Craigengower by 51 to 48; and Taikoo beat Lusitano by 39 to 38. The last was unfinished owing to the late arrival of Lusitano.

PARIS LETTER.

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June 4, 1909.

RAPPROACHEMENT WITH GERMANY ADVOCATED.

The French Press, which for some time past has been preaching a rapprochement with Germany, has done a wise thing towards that end by accepting frankly and without demur the decision of the The Hague Tribunal on the Casa Blanca incident. The general feeling is clearly that a more just verdict could not have been given. Both countries this time are perfectly satisfied. May they remain better friends in future, and not fall out so often over petty disputes—the result of jealousy and hatred. The dispute has been closed in a way honourable to both sides, and this is precisely the point emphasized by the French Press; certainly it is a noteworthy factor that should not be overlooked by either France or Germany. The *Petit Parisien* remarks: "We have not to appreciate the terms of the sentence, but to how before the indisputable verdict of the judges. It will be enough for us to recall that for the second time in recent history it has been possible to avoid a threatening conflict by recourse to an arbitral solution. The Casa Blanca affair between France and Germany has been settled as peacefully as the Hull affair between England and Russia was settled before it. What would not find matter for congratulation in this result, and who, indeed, would dare to say that this procedure has not safeguarded the dignity and vital interests of the two nations at issue?"

The *Debats* says that the award definitely closes in the most honourable manner for both parties a dispute which very nearly degenerated into a general conflagration. "On the essential points of right," remarks *Le Temps*, the official organ of the Government—"the arbitrators have pronounced in our favour. The task was a delicate one. They have acquitted themselves of it as well as they possibly could." *Le Temps* concludes its article with the sincere hope that France and Germany should take this honourable settlement to heart and endeavour to prevent a repetition of these "incidents" by better understandings. There is no more cause for France and Germany to be eternal enemies than there is between Great Britain and Russia. The two latter having made up their quarrel after many regrettable years of strife, the time has come when France and Germany should emulate their example and once more shake hands.

The only ones who have now an interest in fanning the flames and keeping up disturbances throughout the country are the Anarchists. The latter have shown themselves remarkably busy of late in the cutting of telegraph and telephone wires in different places. The Ministry of the Interior state that it has proof these outrages have been, and are, committed by provincial Anarchists acting under orders from Paris. These wretches do not know how to be mischievous enough. If the labour world has no longer any desire or heart to keep up the struggle against the Government, the Anarchists have taken up the running hoping to be more successful in the work of wholesale destruction. They are closely watched and will be severely punished if caught.

AERONAUTICS.

M. Roche, who is a retired major of engineers, has formed a High School for Aeronautics in this city. The idea is particularly happy, following so soon after Count Zeppelin's remarkable aerial flight of 1,000 miles. The Major's chief object in founding such a useful school is to train engineers for the construction of balloons, aeroplanes, and motors. The Committee has elected as its president M. Paul Doumer. France certainly needed such a school, considering the progress which aviation has been making of late years.

ANGLO-FRENCH ALLIANCE.

When the Anglo-French Alliance was founded a quarter of a century ago for the purpose of spreading the French language, it had only 9 members, to-day it is able to boast of 50,000 members. The twenty-fifth anniversary of L'Alliance Francaise, which has just been celebrated in Paris and in which forty members of the Anglo-French Alliance took part, was a memorable event. There was a great gathering at the Sorbonne last Tuesday afternoon, followed by a banquet in the evening. Ex-President of the Republic, Loubet presided at the gathering at the Sorbonne, while M. Paul Deschanel delivered a most eloquent address which was much applauded. The eminent Academician struck the right note when he impressed upon his numerous hearers the great importance of the two countries remaining united. They both belonged to the great family of thinkers, who glorified human intelligence. The land of Shakespeare and the land of Moliere, the land of Bacon and the land of Descartes, the land of the Habes Corpus Act and the Declaration of the Rights of Man had united their genius and their force for the liberty of Europe and the world. M. Deschanel also remarked that, whatever might be the importance of the economic and political interests uniting the two nations, a still harmony in the form of high-class literature dominated their destinies as we have just seen. While at the beginning of the nineteenth century French was the first of European languages, it now stands fourth. Not that the French had lost ground, but other languages had gained ground by being spoken by more people. French at the present day was spoken by 58,000,000 persons, German by 80,000,000, and English by 116,000,000. Sir Archibald Geikie, president of the Anglo-French Alliance, who was unable to be present, in a letter addressed to M. Loubet, expressed on behalf of the Alliance, their affectionate devotion to France, their admiration of her beauti-

ful language and her glorious literature, and their keen desire to take their share by every means in strengthening the bonds of friendship and sympathy now so happily uniting France and Great Britain.

THE PRICE OF BREAD.

The increase in the price of bread is always an unpleasant subject, and always gives cause for grave apprehensions. Owing to the rise in the price of flour of three to four francs per sack of 167 kilos (345 lbs.), due to the prospect of a less satisfactory harvest, the 2lb. loaf has been increased by one sou in price in many districts of Paris.

EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDES.

The large number of suicides on the part of boys in France of late has led to the discovery of the "Suicide Club," which accounts for the sudden enormous increase in juvenile criminality in this country. The reading of pessimistic novels on the part of not a few of the boys caused them to end their life. The "Suicide Club" in question was formed by schoolboys, and the members got "sick of life" they resorted to committing suicide. Astounding revelations have just been made concerning the suicide last week at Clermont-Ferrand in the South of France, of Blaise Pascal Néry, a 15 year old boy, who blew his brains out before his schoolfellows assembled in class. The boy's home had been a very unhappy one. On the eve of his death such a violent scene occurred that he spent the night with neighbours, being a diligent reader of the German philosophers of the pessimistic school caused him to take his life. Two of his comrades including himself cast lots to decide which was to kill himself first, and young Néry drew the fatal number. His two accomplices at once set to work to drive him to carry out his pledge by accusing him of cowardice. The day before his death they made him rehearse all the details of the tragedy, and then marked with chalk the spot where he was to blow his brains out! While this grim rehearsal was taking place in an empty class-room, a junior boy put his head inside the door and saw what was going on. The others drove him away, saying: "You know too much; you will have to be put out of the way." It appears that there was a list in existence of boys who were to be "suppressed."

Ten minutes before the final scene in class Néry's neighbour borrowed a watch and said to him: "You know you have to kill yourself at twenty minutes past three. You have only ten minutes to live." When five minutes had elapsed, he reminded him again, and again, when only two minutes remained. Fortunately to the minute the wretched boy rose, walked to the spot where the chalk mark was, drew the revolver, and shot himself in the right temple. In the confusion which followed one of the conspirators had the coolness to seize the revolver and hide it. It has not been recovered. The publication of suicidal literature ought to be suppressed. Is it not a curious coincidence that only a few months ago Robert Louis Stevenson's stories of "The Suicide Club" from the "New Arabian Nights" were published in a popular French magazine? Had the boys read the stories? Probably so.

WAIST-WAISTED CORSETS.

While the Paris corset-makers are working overtime on the "waist-waisted" corsets which will be at the height of fashion when Louis XV. and Louis XVI. dresses are introduced next autumn, several hundred well-known doctors, painters, sculptors, and men of letters have given their support to the movement against "the distortion of the feminine figure by the wearing of corsets," which was inaugurated some months ago by a dozen ladies prominent in Paris society, and which has as its strongest advocate M. Marcel Pivert, the new Academician.

THE NAVY.

The Superior Council of Marine has adopted the following conclusions respecting the Navy—all efforts should be concentrated on the building of a line of battle fleet. No more armoured cruisers should be built, and torpedo-boats and submarines should be looked upon as of secondary importance. In 1920 France ought to have a fleet of 45 battleships. In the years before 1920, 33 battleships of 22,500 tons each ought to be built. The cost to be met would total about £25,000,000, and the result would be to put the French fleet practically on a level with the German. These have yet to be considered by Parliament and the Government.

NO RESIDENCE.

At the Supreme Court yesterday Mr. Jackson (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) said that a certain man was designated as residing at 8, Main Street, Kowloon.

His Lordship—Does he live there?

Mr. Jackson—There are only four walls there.

His Lordship—Oh!

CLEVER CAPTURE OF A THIEF.

Mrs. Main, of Nos. 1 and 2, Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon, has of late been missing many articles from her clothes lines. As the thief has had a long run of success, notwithstanding the watchmen deputed to effect his capture, Mrs. Main conceived the excellent idea of attaching bells to the end of the clothes lines. These were so arranged that the removal of any article of clothing from the line would cause the bells to ring. After the trap had been duly set, it was not long before the bells began to clang. The sound awakened the houseboys to activity, and they immediately dashed to the front and rear entrances to the building, while others searched the grounds. The thief was discovered in the basement of the house, and on being charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate yesterday was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

During the past week Civil Service defeated the Schoolmasters by 59 games to 40; Y.M.C.A. overcame Craigengower by 51 to 48; and Taikoo beat Lusitano by 39 to 38. The last was unfinished owing to the late arrival of Lusitano.

REVIEWS.

Cousins and Others. By KATHARINE TYMAN. London: T. Werner Laurie.

Not everyone is gifted with the skill to write short stories. Katharine Tyman has done better work than is contained in this volume, nevertheless we doubt not there are many who will find her Irish heroines as fascinating as ever and will admire the simplicity of plot and improbability of adventure with which she entertains them. The story which gives its title to this collection is the most ambitious. It is delightfully Irish. A pretty girl has her choice of two lordlings, and, with unerring instinct, makes choice of the noble man, thus clearing up difficulties that might have arisen over the discovery of an ancestress's marriage lines. "Cousins and Others" will provide entertainment, if nothing else, and the simplicity of the stories may be a recommendation to those who seek rest after toil.

2835 Mayfair. By FRANK RICHARDSON. London: T. Werner Laurie.

The title to this story might have been anything else. It is a "mystery novel," and deals with the double life of a Harley Street expert, who has found a cure for cancer. In style, it reminds one of "Called Luck"—once started, it must be read almost at a sitting. The author has succeeded, in hiding the secret from his reader, and at the end leaves him somewhat in a haze as to what has really happened; and what is more, he does it all in a semi-satirical way, with many a sneer at fashionable foibles and the influences and motives that move "the great world" in London. It is unfortunate that he introduces two chapters satirizing detectives for they strike a false note, they are an artistic interlude in an otherwise excellent chilling shocker. Taken by themselves, they form a legitimate bit of writing. Here they merely delay the action of a story that could be swallowed at one gulp. But taken as a whole, Frank Richardson provides his patron with a good afternoon's reading reminiscent of Fergus Hume and Conan Doyle.

The King and Isabel. By the AUTHOR OF "THE ADVENTURES OF JOHN JOHN."

London: T. Werner Laurie.

It is given to few women to be loved at one and the same time by a King, a pretender in exile, and a socialist dramatist who is a cousin of a king. Yet it was on neither of these that she bestowed her hand, but on a brave young doctor, who, in the interests of science and his fellowmen penetrated the forests of Central Africa and risked his young life to learn the secret of a tropical disease. At first we feared that Isabel was to develop into a wanton. Her clandestine meetings with the royalties were certainly risky, and endangered her good name with the good people at whose country house she stayed and her presence in the capital of the king, her residence in a house once occupied by one of his courtiers, her secret interviews with him to some extent justified the harsh things said of her by a shrewd old Jewish lady. Nevertheless she remains an admirable figure throughout the tale. She not only maintains her good name, but shows herself a more than usually capable Englishwoman in her generous management of the King's private estate, and many of us would willingly surrender some of our dignity and manliness if we were sure a beautiful woman would undertake the management of our affairs to such good purpose as Isabel managed the King's. A highly improbable story, "The King and Isabel" is worth reading.

Peter Vandy: A Biography in Outline. By EDWIN PUIG. London: T. Fisher Unwin.

The subject of this story—we cannot call him a hero—is far from attractive, but even so the serpent attracts while it repels, so we can enjoy this character study and the laying bare of the soul of a sordid city man by whom every thing is sacrificed in the desire to create a huge fortune. Mr. Puig displays more ability than many of our minor novelists. His descriptive writing is as attractive as his analysis of character and his handling of dialogue. He might obtain more artistic effects by a broader treatment, for it is here that he fails to attain the highest rank of our best novelists. At there is a grip about his work which promises greater success than he yet attained. The author is evidently well acquainted with Fleet Street, and the modern methods of commercial journalism which have all ruined the character of some of those journals which rightly claimed a generation ago, to influence for good the lives of the people and shaped the destinies of a great nation. How Peter Vandy came into this side of London life and passed out of it again to become a manipulator of Stock Exchange affairs, marrying the daughter of his uncle and benefactor, but ending his days in loneliness, a gibbering idiot, must be left to the reader to find out for himself. Some of the subsidiary characters are well sketched.

The Slave Girl of Agra: An Indian Historical Romance. By ROMESH DUTT. C. I. E. London: T. Fisher Unwin.

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The Chancery of the Consulate (Prince's Building) will be closed all day on the 14th of July.

NOTICE.

LE CONSUL DE FRANCE,
GASTON LIEBERT,
Hongkong, 10th July, 1909. [948]

IN THE MATTER OF THE PATENTS ORDINANCE, 1892 (No. 2 of 1892),

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A. M. THOMSON,
Colonial Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1909. [926]

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Here's where the lads of the village cricket: I was a lad not wide from here? Couldn't I whip off the ball from the wicket? Like an old wot'd those days appear.

It is in accord with the fitness of things that Meredith's Juggling Jerry should have been a wicket-keeper, and, to judge by his manner of talking, a Surrey man, born not far from the Kentish border. Anybody able to keep for the swift rustic erratic bowlers of the ancient village greens, now nearly all ploughed up or built over, of that countryside could have become an expert juggler in a very little while. These lines and other allusions to the game of games in the Meredithian chronicles of English country life, which stick like burns in the memory, might well move one to attempt a brief history of the evolving and involving of the crowd at cricket. Such a history would include, of course, Niven's incomparable picture of the Hambleton spectators, the old farmers leaning forward on their tall staves and the deep boozing cries of "Titch an' turn! Titch an' turn!" whenever one of the antique worthies made a big hit. Nobody paid gate-money to see the sport on Broad Halfpenny. But it is to be feared—or hoped—that everybody with a few spare coins, gold or silver, or Laodemonian bronze, had his bet on the issue. To be honest? Anyhow it is more becoming to bet on the result of a cricket match, keenly watched from beginning to end, than to back a horse in a far-away unseen race with an elusive bookmaker, which is the custom of the latter-day working man, an easy prey of the small betting man whose pocket is the nearest post-house. Moreover, in the days of the Hambleton men, the wager was always an expression of local patriotism. It would have been accounted an unneighbourly thing to back strangers ("foreigners," as the people of a Lancashire town call the inhabitants of the next eddy in the country's population, three or four miles away) with good home-made money. Crowds of the Hambleton type are still found assembled about certain upland cricket grounds in Lancashire and Yorkshire, where you will always see at least one sound bowler on side—some humongous "professor" who ought to be asked, so his neighbours think, to play for the county.

Then, to return to the question of history-making, the famous scene on the cricket field in "Evan Harrington" would be included by the philosophic analist. Meredith tells us very little about the cricket, but yet contrives, subtly, in wondrous wise, to give an impression of contagious enthusiasm. There are no such cricket matches in the Wessex of Hardy's novels, and that is a very great pity—for there would be good talk between over among the players. The lesser Victorian novelists have sometimes brought in a cricket match, more often than not in order to give the hero an opportunity of scoring a century. But I cannot remember any description of the kind which reveals the personality of the assemblage of spectators. So that the historian, who aspired to trace the psychological origin and growth of the monstrous crowds—genial monarchs but none the less Cyclopean—to be seen at Lord's and Old Trafford and the Oval and other popular playing-fields, would find a plentiful lack of documentary material. And a search through the files of popular newspapers would be for him a waste of time and labour. The modern journalist is too much concerned with paraphrasing the score-sheets and recording impertinences about the players (whom he addresses by their diminished Christian names, as if he wanted them to have time for a study of the crowd). It is true that he himself is often too often—a *reducto ad absurdum* of the crowd in its undisguised mood. Even then he is not particularly interesting or instructive, since there does not appear in him the prodigious mystery of ten thousand thinking like one suddenly thinking, it may be, that nobody is getting his money's worth.

The crowd at Lord's seldom gives one the impression of a single personality. To begin with, the pavilion dominates it like a schoolmaster who is aule and willing to maintain discipline. To those who sit in the Mound stand, where the most homogeneous portion of the assemblage is packed away and the atmosphere of unanimity is most often apparent, the windows of the pavilion are blind; eyes with critically uplifted eyebrows. The spectator knows that there is a brain behind these unfinishing eyes on great occasions—the generations of those who know the game by hand as well as by heart are all represented there, the champions of the nearer and further past come and go like passing thoughts of great days and deeds, the long-experienced observer whispers their names—and he will not, cannot let himself go until he has the approval of the pavilion. Let any visitor to Lord's n'te how often applause begins there, afterwards becoming a full circle of cheer. Thus the pavilion's presence tends to reduce the crowd at Lord's to an inclusive collection of individuals, an impersonal array of items and atoms. That is why there is really no "barreling" in the true sense of the term at Lord's. Occasionally there is a noisy demonstration, but careful observation generally shows that it originates not in active animosity against the players but in the very natural desire of a group of individuals to indulge in a little "ragging" by way of enlivening a dreary hour of dull cricket. I am told by high authority that the first instances of so-called "barreling" at Lord's were inspired by the wish to get a rise out of—well, it is better to leave out the name, which is always affectionately recalled. Though its origin is forgotten, this harmless, almost land-locked, tradition is maintained. Fortunately or unfortunately, an unseemly noise once it has been started is almost certain to make the circuit of the ground, and its occurrence is apt to be resented by those who, knowing not the sweet uses of decent unseemliness, think it is intended to hurt their feelings—which is seldom or never, the case at Lord's. These remarks on the crowd at the Derby of the game of games are written from the sitting-point of a spectator in the Mound stand, and must not be taken too seriously. But I am not the only observer who thinks that the crowd at Lord's is an impersonal thing compared with those seen and felt at Old Trafford or the Oval on a Saturday afternoon or Bank Holiday.

At Old Trafford the pavilion nothing more than a clock-case, so to speak, for the mass of the spectators. If every window thereof were thronged with the shadows of the great names, not a man in the crowd would look that way for a lead in cheering or jeering. On no other count, gromm in the kingdom, is the percentage of the ignorant and indifferent so small or so rigorously suppressed. Every ball that is bowled, every stroke that is made or attempted, every incident or accident in the field—every act of the players is watched and understood and criticized. The Old Trafford crowd has a trick of thinking aloud, which I have not noticed

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Docks, WHARVES & GROWNS.—Hongkong have

been ruled with and without sellers at some

what erratic rates at 69, 65, 67, and 56, closing with sellers at £7. Kowloon Wharves have

changed hands at 57, 55, and 53, closing with possible sellers at £7. Shanghai Docks have

ruled steadily in the North at 82 and 83, closing at 80, as the dividend of £1.25 paid to-day.

Hongkong Wharves after sales at £65, declined to £58, but have since recovered a little in the

North.

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Bank Bills, on demand 1.67
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Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1.67

Credit, at 4 months' sight 1.67

Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 1.67

ON PARIS—

Bank Bills, on demand 2.19

Credit, at 4 months' sight 2.23

ON GERMANY—

On demand 1.78

ON NEW YORK—

Bank Bills, on demand 4.28

Credits, at 60 days' sight 4.34

ON BOMBAY—

Telegraphic Transfer 1.31

Bank, on demand 1.31

ON CALCUTTA—

Telegraphic Transfer 1.31

Bank, on demand 1.31

ON SHANGHAI—

Bank, at sight 1.74

Private, 30 days' sight 1.75

ON YOKOHAMA—

On demand 1.84

ON MANILA—

On demand—Peso 1.85

ON SINGAPORE—

On demand 1.74

ON BATAVIA—

On demand 1.03

ON HAIPHONG—

On demand 1.63 pm

ON SAIGON—

On demand 1.64 pm

ON BANGKOK—

On demand 1.65

SOVEREIGN'S BANK'S BUYING RATE

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 55.30

BAR SILVER, per oz. 25.75

SUBSIDARY COINS

Chinese 20 cents pieces 88.60 discount

Chinese 10 88.98

Hongkong 20 87.40

Hongkong 10 87.80

OPIUM

Quotations are:

Malwa New \$1.140/1.160 per picul.

Malwa Old \$1.170/1.200

Malwa Older \$1.210/1.250

Malwa V. Old \$1.260/1.300

Persian fine quality \$1.040/1.090

Persian extra fine \$900/1.000

Patna New \$960 per chest

Patna Old —

Bunares New \$975

Bunares Old \$975

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Apur str. JAPAN from Yokohama and Kobe, left Kobe on the 5th instant, morning, and may be expected here to-morrow.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The L.G.M. str. Prinz Ludwig carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 16th ultime, left Colombo on the 4th instant a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst. p.m.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The C.N.C. str. Taiyuan left Sydney on the 19th ult, and is due here on the 14th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. China will sail from Yokohama on the 7th inst, en route to this port, and is due to arrive here on the 16th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. str. Asahi Maru (American Line) left Shanghai on the 6th inst, and is expected here to-day.

The N.Y.K. str. Yutoku Maru (Bombay Line) left Moji on the 5th inst, and is expected here to-morrow.

The C.N.C. str. Anhui left Shanghai on the 5th inst, and is due here to-morrow.

The Bank Line str. Asymet left Vancouver for Kobe, Moji, Manila and Hongkong on the 5th inst.

The str. Carroncrosse left Singapore on the 6th inst, and may be expected here on the 12th inst.

The N.Y.K. str. Bombay Maru (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Tuticorin on the 24th ultime, and is expected here on the 14th inst.

The North German Lloyd str. Prinz Sigismund left Kobe on the 8th instant at 2 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst.

The Great Northern str. Minnesota from Seattle arrived at Yokohama on the 7th inst. She will leave Yokohama for Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Manila on the 9th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

June 16th—Andalusia, 23rd—Beaufort,

Carnarthenbridge, Longships, 26th—Achilles,

Ernest Simon, Igo Maru, Inaba Maru, Prins

Etel Friedrich, Perla, Prinz Ludwig, 30th—

Belgrave, Brislington, Glencore, Glen-

lochan, Indrapura, Lennox, July 3rd—Atosa

Maru, Indramaya, Ping Suey, Polynesia,

Somali, Sunmata, 16th—Sloven, Nippon, Ben-

galo, Moyne, Silesia (Ger.).

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

July 6th—Brilliant, Siberia, Nubia, Mon-

mouthshire.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Taming from Manila, Mr and Mrs Carlos,

Mrs Rodriguez, Mrs Cartwright, Mrs Whitney,

Dr Soeto, Dr Shelley, Messrs Marcus, Ramos

and A. J. Israel.

Per Asayo, from Shanghai, for Hongkong,

Per Dent and servant, Misses Rosario, Ella

Rowe and D. Craig, Misses Ipanz and servant,

G. D. Atkinson and N. G. Sansano; for Bom-

bay, from Kobe, Mr and Mrs Musashio; from

Shanghai, Mrs Cunningham; from Yokohama,

for Manila, Mr F. W. Kydd, Mrs MacDonald,

Mr and Mrs T. L. Bassett, Miss Mackenzie;

from Shangha, Miss Benn, Messrs A. J. F. Wildman and G. Sheridan.

DEPARTED.

Per Kumano Maru, for Australia, &c, Mr

and Mrs Cui, Mr and Mrs E. H. Peacock, Mr

and Mrs Bosari, Mr and Mrs Stokes and child,

Mr and Mrs Stephen, Com and Mrs Van

Guzer, Mrs A. G. Stennett, Mrs Hearne, Mrs Foster, Mrs Park, Mrs H. J. Finnich, Mrs

Ranckland, Mrs T. Nikura, Misses Hearne, E.

Cui, F. Cui, Cui (4), K. Kiddie, A. V. Finch,

Willard, Jones and Rosario (2), Masters Cui,

Rosario (3) and H. R. Finnich, Messrs J. D.

H. O'Neil, H. Falkland, E. Wellmann, James

Wright, J. W. MacDonald, L. S. McDonald,

G. M. Leek, A. B. Monlder, S. Tokumaru, W.

F. Wingrove, W. Kiddie, F. MacDonald, A.

Schade, C. Sugano, K. Horikawa, E. Jalandoni,

E. Pancharan, A. Jimines, J. L. Socoo, H.

McCreedy, G. Ohimura, J. M. Horne, E. M.

Cugugan, B. Oyagi, F. Matsumoto and Gura,

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JULY 9TH, 1909.

BANKS

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.
CAPITAL PAID UP Yen 24,000,000
RESERVE FUND 15,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
Tokyo, Kobe, Osaka
Nagasaki, London, Lyons
New York, San Francisco, Honolulu
Bombay, Shanghai, Hankow
Choo, Tientsin, Peking
Nanking, Dairen, Port Arthur
Antung, Liyuan, Mukden
Tieling, Chiang Chu

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months 4% per annum
" " " 6 " 3% "
" " " 3 " 2% "
TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1909. [454]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853,

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000
RESERVE FUND £1,575,000
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 percent per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
for 6 " 3% "
for 3 " 2% "

WM. DICKSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1909. [121]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.
(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY)
ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID UP CAPITAL FL. 15,000,000 (£3,750,000)
RESERVE FUND FL. 5,752,384.94 (about £479,407)

HEAD-OFFICE: AMSTERDAM,
HEAD-AGENCY: BATAVIA.

Branches—Singapore, Penang, Shanghai, Rangoon, Saigon, Siam, Calcutta, Tegor, Palembang, Medan (Del), Padang, Kota Radja (Acheen) Bandjernasir; Correspondents at Macassar, Bombay, Madras, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy, Yokohama, Kobe, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, etc., &c.
LONDON BANKERS—
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and Correspondents in the East, on the Continent, and in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts Banking Business of every description.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account 2 per annum on daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits 12 months 4% per annum.
" do " 6 " 3% "
" do " 3 " 2% "

J. L. VAN HOUTEM, Agent.
Hongkong, 16th July, 1908. [25]

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.
CAPITAL FULLY PAID UP Sh. Taek 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin, Hamburg, Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Tsinanfu, Tsingtau, Kobe, Yokohama, Singapore.

Founded by the following Banks and
Bankers—
KOENIGLICHE SEEHANDLUNG (PREUSSISCHE STAATSBANK) Berlin.

DISPOSITION DER DISCONTOGESSELLSCHAFT
GESELLSCHAFT
DEUTSCHE BANK
S. BLEICHROEDER
BEELINER HANDELS-GESELLSCHAFT
BANK FÜR HANDEL UND INDUSTRIE
ROBERT WARBACHAUER & CO.
MENDELSON & CO.
M. A. VON ROTHSCHILD & SOHN

JACOB S. H. STERN Frankfurt a. M.
SAL. OFFENHEIM, JE. & CO., Koenig
BAVARIISCHE HYPOTHEKEN UND WECHSEL-BANK, MUENCHEN.

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SON;
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DISPOSITION DER DISCONTOGESSELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account, DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and exchange business transacted.

A. KOEHN,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1907. [24]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED 1,125,000
PAID-UP 562,000
RESERVE FUND 250,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 months 4% per cent.
For 6 " 3% per cent.
For 3 " 2% per cent.

EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1909. [23]

BANKS

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS—
STERLING £1,500,000 at 2% = \$15,000,000
SILVER \$14,500,000

\$29,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
Hon. Mr. W. J. GRESHAM—Chairman.
H. E. TOMKINS, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
J. W. Hand, Esq.
E. G. Barrett, Esq.
C. S. Gibbey, Esq.
W. Helm, Esq.
C. R. Lenemann, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. E. R. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTS BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months 2% per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3% per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4% per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1909. [20]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option

balance \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED

DEPOSIT at 4% per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [21]

NEDERLANDSCH-INDISCHE HANDELSBANK.

(NETHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1863.

Authorised Capital FL. 15,000,000 (£1,250,000)

Subscribed Capital FL. 10,000,000 (Paid up)

Reserve Fund FL. 2,200,517.37 (£163,376)

HEAD OFFICE: AMSTERDAM.
HEAD AGENCY: BATAVIA.LONDON BANKERS:
THE WILLIAMS DEACON'S BANK,
SWISS BANKERS.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS all over the World.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1909. [942]

THE BANK transacts every description of

Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on Daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

12 months 4% per annum.

6 do 3% do.

3 do 3% do.

C. WOLDRINGH, Manager.

No. 16, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1908. [26]

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER).

Capital Subscribed (paid up) Yen 5,000,000

Reserve Fund Yen 1,320,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPER, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amyo Kobe Tainan

Aping Nagasaki Tamsui

Foochow Onska Tokyo

Keeling Shanghai Yokohama

Swatow

HONGKONG OFFICE:

3, Des Voeux Road.

Interest allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received on terms which may be had on application.

D. TOHDOW, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1909. [694]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP Gold \$3,250,000

= about Mex. \$7,222,222

RESERVE FUND Gold \$3,250,000

= about Mex. \$7,222,222

HEAD OFFICE: 60 Wall Street, New York.

LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS all over the World.

The Corporation transacts every description of

Banking and Exchange business, receives

money. Current Account at the Rate of

2 per cent. per annum on Daily balances and

accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4% per cent. per annum.

For 6 " 4 " "

For 3 " 3 " "

No. 9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong.

W. M. ANDERSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1908. [643]

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

" DELTA,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at THEIR RISK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo—

From London, &c., ex a.s. "Mantua."

From Australia ex s.s. "Mooltan."

From Calcutta, ex s.s. "Nyassa."

From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and

B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 13th July, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 14th July will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.